

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-10.

Please add new Claims 11-26 as follows:

1-10. (canceled)

11. (new) A method of applying a carpet to a subfloor comprising the steps of:
providing a dimensionally stable sheet having a backing with a top side and a bottom side, said backing being made from a spun-bonded, non-woven fabric having a thickness of approximately 8 mils and having adhesive applied to at least one of said top or bottom sides;
placing said sheet on an existing subfloor;
providing a carpet; and
placing said carpet on said sheet.

12. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 11 wherein said adhesive is applied to both top and bottom sides of said backing.

13. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 12 further including the step of placing release paper on at least one of said top or bottom sides of said backing.

14. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 13 further including the step of removing said release paper from said backing.

15. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 12 wherein the adhesive applied to said top side of said backing is different from the adhesive applied to said bottom side of said backing.

16. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 11 wherein said carpet is a carpet tile.

17. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 11 wherein said subfloor is an existing carpet.

18. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 11 wherein said subfloor is a concrete floor.

19. (new) A method of applying a carpet to a subfloor comprising the steps of:
providing a dimensionally stable sheet having a backing with a top side and a bottom side, said backing being made from a thin, flexible plastic material having a thickness of approximately 1 mil to approximately 2 mils and having adhesive applied to at least one of said top or bottom sides;

placing said sheet on an existing subfloor;

providing a carpet; and

placing said carpet on said sheet.

20. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 19 wherein said adhesive is applied to both top and bottom sides of said backing.

21. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 20 further including the step of placing release paper on at least one of said top or bottom sides of said backing.

22. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 21 further including the step of removing said release paper from said backing.

23. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 20 wherein the adhesive applied to said top side of said backing is different from the adhesive applied to said bottom side of said backing.

24. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 19 wherein said carpet is a carpet tile.

25. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 19 wherein said subfloor is an existing carpet.

26. (new) The method of applying a carpet to a subfloor claimed in Claim 19 wherein said subfloor is a concrete floor.